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[57] ABSTRACT

The present invention discloses cationic lipids and lipophilic compounds useful for making lipid aggregates for delivery of macromolecules and other compounds into cells. They are especially useful for the DNA-dependent transformation of cells. Also disclosed are compositions of cationic lipids and viral components or non-viral fusagenic compounds useful for enhancing transfection.

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